# **Human Relations Commission Agenda**

The Human Relations Commission is a citizen commission appointed by the Fremont City Council. Human Relations Commission business is conducted in a public forum and operates within the provisions of the Brown Act. Information on the Brown Act may be obtained from the City Clerk's office at 3300 Capitol Avenue (phone 284-4060).

# **General Order of Business**

1. Secretary Check for Quorum	6. Written Communications	11. Commission Referrals
2. Call to order – 7:15 p.m.	7. Announcements	12. Commission Reports
3. Roll call	8. Consent Items	13. Staff Reports
4. Approval of Minutes	9. Old Business	14. Referral to Staff
5. Oral Communications	10. New Business	15. Adjournment

#### **Order of Discussion**

Generally, the order of discussion after introduction of an item by the Chair will include comments and information by staff followed by Human Relations Commissions questions, inquiries or discussion. The applicant, authorized representative, or interested citizens may then speak on the item. At the close of public discussion, the item will be considered by the Commission and action taken.

#### **Oral Communications**

Any person desiring to speak on a matter which is not scheduled on this agenda may do so under Oral Communications. The Human Relations Commission will take no action on an item which does not appear on the agenda. The item will be agendized for the next regular meeting or at a special meeting called in accordance with the terms of the Brown Act. The Human Relations Commission may establish time limits of presentations.

#### **Information**

Regular scheduled meetings of the Human Relations Commission are conducted at 3300 Capitol Avenue in City Council Chambers. Meetings are held at 7:15 on the third Monday of the month. Meetings may be tape recorded at the discretion of the Chair.

Copies of the Agenda are available at the Human Services Department at 3300 Capitol Avenue three days preceding the regularly scheduled meeting.

Assistance will be provided to those requiring accommodations for disabilities in compliance with the American Disabilities Act of 1990. Interested persons must request the accommodation at least 2 working days in advance of the meeting by contacting Human Services Department at (510) 574-2050.



Information about the City or items scheduled on the Agenda may be referred to:

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Your interest in the conduct of your City's business is appreciated.

# **Human Relations Commission**

# Dharminder Dewan – Vice Chair Tejinder Dhami Beth Hoffman Paddy Iyer Lance Kwan Julie Moore John Nguyen-Cleary - Chair John Smith Debra Watanuki

# **City Staff**

Suzanne Shenfil, Human Services Director Arquimides Caldera, Deputy Human Services Director MaryLou Johnson, Recording Secretary

# **Mission Statement**

The City of Fremont's Human Relations Commission promotes and helps create a community environment in which all men, women and children, regardless of race, religion, national origin, gender, disability or sexual orientation, may live, learn, work and play in harmony.

#### **AGENDA**

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2015 TRAINING ROOM 3300 CAPITOL AVE., BUILDING B FREMONT, CALIFORNIA 7:15 P.M.

- 1. <u>SECRETARY CALL FOR QUORUM</u>
- 2. CALL TO ORDER
- 3. ROLL CALL
- **4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of Septembe 21, 2015
- 5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS
- 6. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS
- 7. <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>
- 8. <u>CONSENT ITEMS</u>
- 9. OLD BUSINESS

# 9.1 Make A Difference Day (MADD) 2015

**BACKGROUND:** For many years, the HRC has sponsored the City's annual Make a Difference Day (MADD) Project, which brings together hundreds of Fremont residents on the fourth Saturday of October to volunteer on projects throughout the City.

This year, MADD will be held on October 24, 2015. Christine Beitsch is coordinating the event again this year. Ms. Beitsch has been working with local churches, schools, and City departments. Commissioner Moore drafted a donor letter and, along with staff, applied for various sponsorships. These efforts have resulted in a total of \$10,535 in new sponsorships, including:

- \$5,000 Target
- \$2.500 Fremont Bank Foundation
- \$2,500 Kaiser
- \$500 Fremont Elk's Lodge No. 2121
- \$35 Individual Donations

There are over 80 projects planned to date. Christine Beitsch will provide an updated list at the meeting. Commissioners who plan to participate in Make A

Difference day on October 24<sup>th</sup> should plan on visiting projects from 9am - 12pm and provide their t-shirt size to Marylou Johnson.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive update from Christine Beitsch and clarify which Commissioners are going to participate in Make a Difference Day.

# 9.2 City of Fremont's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Time Capsule

**BACKGROUND:** The City Managers Office is working with the City's Youth Commission, the Economic Development Department and the Chamber of Commerce to collect items, with a max size of 11"x14", for a time capsule to be buried at Fremont's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary on January 23, 2016. The time capsule will be opened in 40 years at Fremont's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

On September 21, 2015, the HRC voted to create an ad-hoc committee to support the Fremont Time capsule efforts, including recommending time capsule items relevant or related to the service community and representative of Fremont's ethnic/cultural/ and faith based communities, by Thanksgiving day. Staff has spoken with the Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose and BART Director Tom Blalock.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive update from the adhoc committee consisting of Commissioners Iyer, Dhami, Kwan and Vice-Chair Dewan regarding progress toward collecting and recommending items.

# 9.3 Emerging Leaders - Racial Equity Leadership Development Retreat

**BACKGROUND:** The Commission is sponsoring a Racial Equity Leadership Development retreat. Mona Shah and Rosi Reyes will facilitate the two-day retreat. Thirteen nominees have submitted information and will be interviewed starting next week. Staff will provide a roster of applicants at the meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive staff update.

10. **NEW BUSINESS** (Items on which the Commission has not yet had an agendized discussion or taken action)

# 10.1 FY 2016-2019 Social Services Grant Process

**BACKGROUND:** One of the Human Relations Commission's primary functions is to review and recommend Social Service grant funding to local non-profit agencies. The City currently awards \$441,277 in funding to fifteen agencies that provide an array of human services programs serving low and moderate-income individuals and families. Grants are funded by the general

fund and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds, and are provided on a three-year cycle, which ends June 30, 2016.

**Draft Request For Proposal (RFP) and Rating Criteria:** The City will once again be using ZoomGrants, an online grant submission / management program, for the FY 2016-2019 RFP process. Staff has enclosed draft RFP documents for the Commission to review, including the RFP questions that were used for the FY 2013-2016 funding cycle. The documents include staff's recommended changes and updates. Staff is requesting that the Commission review the enclosed RFP materials, and email any feedback or suggestions to Leticia Leyva (<u>lleyva@fremont.gov</u>) by November 2, 2015. Staff will present updated documents to the Commission on November 16, 2015, for approval.

**Enclosure:** 10.1.1 Draft SSG Impact Categories

10.1.2 Draft FY 16-19 SSG RFP Summary 10.1.3 ZoomGrants FY 13-16 SSG RFP

10.1.4 Draft SSG Scoring Criteria for Commissioners

**RECOMMENDATION:** Review documents provided and email feedback or suggestions to staff by 5:00 PM on November 2, 2015.

# 10.2 Civic Center Plan and Family Resource Center

**BACKGROUND:** On October 13, 2015, the City Council held a study session to provide direction on an alternative phasing schedule to the current Civic Center Master Plan. The Council provided direction in favor of Alternative #3, which would defer construction of a parking structure (phase 2) and move up construction of a New City Hall (phase 3) from 2024 to 2020. This is an important change, since Phase 3 will trigger the relocation of the Family Resource Center. Both the City Manager and City Council emphasized the City's commitment to moving and maintaining the FRC as a whole entity of co-located non-profit, State and County agencies.

	Master Plan	Alternative #3
Phase 1 – Downtown Center	2017	2017
Phase 2 – Public Garage	2019	Deferred
Phase 3 – New City Hall	2024	2020
Phase 4 – Annex Building	TBD	TBD
Total Cost	\$257	\$191
Total Gap	\$147 M	\$88 M
Debt Service per year	\$9.6 M	\$6.0 M

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive staff report out and take any appropriate actions.

# 10.3 City Council Referral on Rent Control and Just Cause Eviction

**BACKGROUND:** On October 13, 2015, the City Council considered a referral from Council member Bacon for staff to research the options the City Council has regarding the implementation of rent control and just cause eviction protections. City Council consensus was to move forward with the referral and include other programs and options related to affordable housing. Staff indicated that research will include meeting with housing industry experts, as well as holding a joint meeting with both affordable housing advocates (like RISE) and Industry representatives.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive staff report and take any appropriate actions.

# 10.4 Book Fair

**BACKGROUND:** Former Commissioner Joseph Smith would like to speak to the HRC to guage their interest in participating in a possible book fair in April 2016 as part of the City's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. The Library Commission's Events Sub-committee has approved the idea and is researching the feasibility of the project. The City Manager's office staff is also researching how this project would fit with the Citys current plans.

Mr. Smith would like the event to be as inclusive as possible and is requesting the HRC's assistance in reaching out to various diverse communities.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive request from Joe Smith and take any appropriate actions.

# 11. <u>COMMISSION REFERRALS</u> (Referrals from the City Council to the Commission)

# 12. <u>COMMITTEE REPORTS</u>

# 12.1 Promoting Economic Security and Success

**COMMITTEE BACKGROUND:** Commissioners Hoffman, Chair Nguyen-Cleary and Vice-Chair Dewan, work to promote economic security and success, by implementing the following strategies:

- a. Bridging the Economic Gap
- c. Providing Affordable Housing

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive committee report on any non-action items.

# 12.2 Celebrating Diversity and Promoting Civic Engagement of the Community and Youth

**COMMITTEE BACKGROUND:** Commissioners Watanuki, Iyer and Smith work to celebrate diversity and promote civic engagement of the community and youth, by implementing the following strategies:

- a. Engaging Youth
- b. Advocating and Educating the Community and Youth about the RHC
- c. Supporting and Promoting the Diversity of Fremont

**RECOMMENDATIONS:** Receive Committee report on any non-action items.

# 12.3 Providing Safety-Net Services for At-Risk Populations

**COMMITTEE BACKGROUND:** Commissioners Kwan, Dhami, and Vice Chair Dewan work to provide safety net Services for at-risk populations.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive committee report on any non-action items.

#### 12.4 Financial Resources Committee

**COMMITTEE BACKGROUND:** Commissioners Smith, Watanuki, Moore, Vice Chair Dewan, and Chair Nguyen Cleary work to create and implement a sustainable fundraising strategy.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Receive committee report on any non-action items.

# 12.5 Other AdHoc Committee Reports

# 13. STAFF REPORTS

- 13.1 Attendance Summary (Attachment 13.1)
- 13.2 Calendar (Attachment 13.2) of HRC regular/special meetings and events.

# 13.3 Legends of the Bay Event

Update on planning of a fundraiser to highlight the Fremont Innovation District and raise funds for the Fremont Family Resource Center.

# **13.4** Warming Center

Update on preparations for the upcoming Warming Center season, including funding support from the County and both County supervisors representing the City of Fremont

13.5 Human Right Commission – Municipal Equality Index (MEI) Staff update on progress of improving the City's MEI score.

14.	<b>REFERRALS TO STAFF</b> (a request to have items placed on a future Commission		
	agenda as an item of new business. A vote against means it will be dropped without		
	consideration).		

15. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>